

## Message Text

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R 131445Z DEC 76  
FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW  
TO USIA WASHDC  
INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 2035  
AMCONSUL LENINGRAD  
AMEMBASSY BELGRADE  
AMEMBASSY BUCHAREST  
AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST  
AMEMBASSY PRAGUE  
AMEMBASSY SOFIA  
AMEMBASSY WARSAW

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SCUL, UR  
SUBJECT: FILM ON PRESIDENT-ELECT CARTER

REF: (A) USIA 33762; (B) USIA 34049

1. TV POLITICAL COMMENTATOR VALENTIN ZORIN WAS IN U.S. FOR NOVEMBER ELECTIONS AND SUBSEQUENTLY HAS PRODUCED A NUMBER OF HIS USUAL RATHER NEGATIVE AND NASTY COMMENTARIES ON HIS OBSERVATIONS. ZORIN CALLED PRESS ATTACHE DECEMBER 9 REQUESTING PERMISSION TO USE EXCERPTS FROM USIA FILM ON CARTER (REFTEL A) ON HIS DECEMBER 11 "STUDIO 9" PROGRAM. WITH SOME TREPIDATION, AUTHORIZATION WAS GIVEN.

2. ZORIN USED ENTIRE FILM AS CENTERPIECE OF HIS PRIME-TIME, HALF-HOUR PROGRAM, GAVE FULL CREDIT TO USIA FOR FILM, AND HIS REMARKS BOTH BEFORE AND AFTER WERE NOT DEVOTED TO REBUTTING THE FILM (AS WE HAD FEARED) BUT PRESENTED SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN RATHER POSITIVE TERMS.

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3. FYI: UPI FILED STORY ON FILM USAGE DECEMBER 11.

4. COMMENT: THIS IS FIRST TIME IN OVER A YEAR, TO BEST OF OUR  
KNOWLEDGE, THAT TV HAS USED ANYTHING OF SUBSTANCE PROVIDED BY  
THE EMBASSY. WE INTERPRET THIS AS PART OF THE STATED SOVIET IN-  
TENTION TO ACT POSITIVELY TOWARD THE PRESIDENT-ELECT.  
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